7. Semi-Automatic Batching with Batch Controllers





















ME995 Series Batch Controllers - Safety Features

- LIMIT (LM) LED illuminates if:
 - batch cycle reaches locked internal maximum limit, or
 - circuit diagnostics detect internal chip problem, with subsequent automatic shutoff of voltage contact drive.
- PULSE FAIL (PF) LED activates if:
 - no flowmeter pulses arrive within initial 1.5 seconds (variable), or
 - pulses are interrupted or intermittent during batch cycle (fall below variable pulse scanning time, typical 30 Hz) with subsequent automatic shutoff of voltage drive to pump.
- FLOW (FL) LED indicates pulses coming from field flowmeter, or if test is used.
- CONTACT DRIVE (CD) LED output drive activated to pump or solenoid.

Audible ALARM sounds:

- momentarily upon completion of batch cycle,
- continuously if PULSE FAIL or LIMIT occurs LEDs are activated or

if overflow runs 1000 ml (variable) past selected batch quantity.

Warning: If Contact or Flow LED indicators are on,

but contoller is not counting, discontinue use and call for service.



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Batch Controllers – Selection Questions

- (1) What is the minimum & maximum batch quantity volumes?
- (2) What is size of the intended connected flowmeter?
- (3) What batch quantity resolution units do you require ?
- (4) Is a PLC/computer system being connected to the system ?
- (5) What is the display to show total dose, or delivered batch quantity?
- (6) Is Variable Dosage required ? If so:
- (7) What dose units do you want ? (Kg's or m3)
- (8) What is the maximum dose-rate ?

(hence do you require a maximum internal limited Dose rate fitted ?)





Batch Controllers – configuration options

			Batch Quantity			Dosage			Display		Input from Flowmeter (2)		Suggested Doselimit
		Order Code	Units	Increment	Max Setting	Variable Dosage	Units	Max Setting	Shows	Units	PPL Accepted	K-factor Adjustment	Doscimit
		ME995-1	millilitres	10 ml	90000	no	n/a	n/a	batch quantity	millilitres	1000	no	30000 ml
ME995-1	ME995-3K	ME995-1A	millilitres	10 ml	9000	no	n/a	n/a	batch quantity	millilitres	1000	no	3000 ml
		ME995-2	cubic metres	0.1 cubic metres	9.0	yes	mls x 10 / cubic metre	99x10	total dosage	millilitres	1000	no	200mls/m3
ME995-1A	ME995-4	ME995-2H	cubic metres	0.1 cubic metres	9.0	yes	mls x 10 / cubic metre	900x10	total dosage	millilitres	1000	no	2000mls/m3
		ME995-2C	cubic metres	0.1 cubic metres	9.0	yes	mls x 10 / cubic metre	99x10	batch quantity	cubic metres	1000	no	200mls/m3
ME995-2	ME995-6	ME995-2CH	cubic metres	0.1 cubic metres	9.0	yes	mls x 10 / cubic metre	900x10	batch quantity	cubic metres	1000	no	2000mls/m3
		ME995-3	kg of cement	10 kg	9000	yes	mls x 10 / 100 Kg	99x10	total dosage	millilitres	1000	no	900mls/100kg
ME995-2H	ME995-7	ME995-3H	kg of cement	10 kg	9000	yes	mls x 10 / 100 Kg	900x10	total dosage	millilitres	1000	no	20000mls/100kg
		ME995-3K	kg of cement	10 kg	9000	yes	mls x 10 / 100 Kg	99x10	batch quantity	kg	1000	no	900mls/100kg
ME995-2C	ME995-7G	ME995-3KH	kg of cement	10 kg	9000	yes	mls x 10 / 100 Kg	900x10	batch quantity	kg	1000	no	20000mls/100kg
		ME995-4	Litres	0.01 L	99.990	no	n/a	n/a	batch quantity	Litres	1000	no	90 litres
0000 ME995-3	ME3000	ME995-6	Litres	0.1 L	99.9	no	n/a	n/a	batch quantity	Litres	1000	no	90 litres
h	, <u>,</u>	ME995-7	Litres	1L	9999	no	n/a	n/a	batch quantity	Litres	1 - 999	yes	9000 litres
		ME995-7D	Litres	0.1 L	999.9	no	n/a	n/a	batch quantity	Litres	1 - 999	yes	900 litres
		ME995-7G	Litres	0.01 L	99.99	(1)	n/a	n/a	batch quantity	Litres	1000	no	
		ME995-7H	Litres	10 L	99990	no	n/a	n/a	batch quantity	Litres	1 - 999	yes	Consult
		ME3000	mi, L, KL	from 1ml	9,999,999KL	no	n/a	n/a	batch quantity	mi, L, Kl	0.001 - 9999.999	yes	manuFlo

Batch controller options: 110vac supply, 24 VDC supply, external command plug (stop/start/reset), PLC/Computer interfaces, 2 product changeover switch. Notes - (1): ME995-7G has as standard a 2-product selection switch with central computer hold, and a -5P interface plug. (2) Examples of 1000 pulse/Litre flowmeters are MES20, MEA15, MEK20.

Typical maximum internal limits; are adjustable and configured at time of order



For options

Older Model Batch Controllers – ME188 Series



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ME995-2 Batch Controller - Use

- For use with Manu AMM15, MES20 and other 1000 ppL flowmeters
- Mainly used in computer/PLC controlled batch plants
- Set on maximum permitted batch limits

DOSAGE 35 x 10 mls per m3.

= 350 mls per cubic metre selected



Formula is: 350mls dosage rate x 2.0 m3 load of concrete = 700mls in liquid delivered and shown on display



ME995-2C Batch Controller - Use

• For use with Manu MES20 and other 1000 ppl flowmeters.

Mainly used in manual batch plants

DOSAGE 35 x 10 mls per m3.

= 350 mls per cubic metre selected



Formula is: 350mls dosage rate x 2.0 m3 load of concrete = 700mls in liquid delivered, and shown in m3 selected on display



ME995-3 Batch Controller

Ideal for Computer plants to compare volumetric display in MLs.

- 5 Digit LED display.
- 4 x LED status indicators.
- Variable doserate selection.
- Display counts in total millilitres of dosage.
- Preact function and preset maximum limit
- Missing pulse detection
- Interchangeable with earlier ME188 models
- For use with Manu MES20, MEA15 1000 ppl flowmeters.
- Optional PLC and computer interface.
- Mainly used in computer/PLC controlled batch plants

		Display			
		shows	units		
*	ME995 - 3	total dosage	ml		
	ME995 - 3K	batch quantity	kg		

Shows Total – Dosage in ML



Batch Quantity / up to 9000, increment 10



Doserate

mls x 10 per 100kg

max 99 x 1

ME995-3 Batch Controller - Use

For use with Manu MES20 and AMM20 1000 ppl flowmeters

- Mainly used in computer/PLC controlled batch plants
- Set on maximum permitted batch limit

DOSERATE Max 99 x10



ME995-3K Batch Controller - Features

- Variable doserate blending preset batch controller
- Rotary knob selector switches, for easy select of:
 - Doserate (top 2 selectors)
 - Batch Quantity (bottom 4 selectors)
- 4 Digit LED display Display counts upward in 10 kg lots to kilograms of cement selected
- 4 x LED status indicators.
- Preact (overflow deduct) function
- Preset maximum batch limit
- Missing pulse detection safeties
- Contact output drive is via 1 (or optionally 2) relays
- For use with Manu MES20 20mm 1000 ppl flowmeters
- Optional PLC and computer interface
- Mainly used in manual batch plants



Batch Quantity / up to 9000, increment 10



Shows Batch

Quantity in KG

ME995-3K Batch Controller - Use

For use with ManuFlo AMM20 and MES20

1000 ppL flowmeters (mainly used manual batch plants)

DOSAGE: 20 x 10 mls. e.g. = 200mls./100kg



Formula = 200mls dosage rate x (10 lots of 100KGs) load of cement = 2000mls in liquid delivered, shown in KG selected



ME995 HIGH DOSERATE batch controllers- Use

For use with ManuFlo 1000 ppL flowmeters (mainly used manual batch plants)



Formula = 200mls dosage rate x (10 lots of 100KGs) load of cement = 2000mls in liquid delivered, shown in KG selected



ME995-4 Batch Controller - Use

For use with Manu MES20 and AMM20 1000 ppl flowmeters





ME995-6 Batch Controller

For use with ManuFlo AMM20 and MES20 1000 ppl flowmeters





ME995-7DS / ME995-7D / ME995-7 Batch Controllers

(with x1 input) K-Factor calibration adjustment precision option.

For use with ManuFlo MES20-S, MES20-S-T, MES25, AMM25 etc and other flowmeters where pulse output values are <u>NOT</u> 1000 ppl.

K-Factor adjustment U,T,H (units/tens/hundreds) Turn the flat shaft pointer to the desired calibration Setting value. e.g. MES-S-T UTH = 580 (HTU=085) i.e. 85 pulses per 0.1 litre.



Pre-act (overflow deduct)

Final Calibration:

•If the liquid collected is <u>higher</u> than value shown on display, then <u>decrease</u> the calibration input set value (K-factor) by the same % difference.

•If the liquid collected is <u>less</u> than value shown on display, then <u>increase</u> the calibration input set value (K-factor) by the same % difference

•Note: Finally then set the Pre-Act to compensate for ant overrun from batch target..





ME995-7D-S 3 dial to 90.0 Litres



ME995-7D 4 dial to 900.0 Litres

Batch Controller Pre-act Explained

PREACT: Calibrating inflight overflow deduct:

- Is via two rotary knobs marked (on ME995) "HUNDREDS" and "TENS" of mls located at the rear of the Batch Controller. (ME995-6 "TENS" & "UNITS")
- As the batch display will indicate total kilograms of cement at the selected doserate, a calculation must be performed to convert the overrun displayed into actual overflow millilitres of dose.



NOTE: You cannot set a batch quantity below any set PREACT value. The controller will not start.

PREACT KNOBS at rear of batch controller



Batch Controller Pre-act



Batch Controller <u>Preact</u>

ME995-6, Example 1

- Total Litres selected was 11.2 Litres
- Actual quantity delivered shown on display was 11.4 litres
- Overflow is 0.2 Litres
- Set the Preact to TENS=0 and UNITS=2
- The flat shaft with notch is griped and turned to point of desired setting.



ME995-1A, -1 (set on 16 = 160mls.





Batch Controller <u>Preact</u>

ME995-3K, Example 1

- Doserate was 10 x 10 mls/100kg (i.e. 100 mls/100 kg,
- Total kgs cement load selected was 2000kg,
- Actual quantity delivered shown on display was 2060kg (60 kgs over at the selected doserate).

Dose Overflow = $\begin{array}{c} \text{overbatch x} & \text{Doserate} \\ 60 \text{ kg x } 10 \text{ x } 10 \text{ mls} = 60 \text{ x } 100 \text{ mls} = 60 \text{ mls} = 60 \text{ mls overflow} \\ \hline 100 \text{ kg} & 100 \end{array}$

Set the preact to HUNDREDS=0 and TENS=6 (0x100 + 6x10 = 0 + 60 = 60 mls)



For pure volumetric selection controllers: Models: ME995-1, -4, -6 and -7 simply if you selected 1000 mls but at batch complete the display shows 1110 mls, then simply set the rear pre-act knobs to 110mls. (Hundreds = 1 & Tens = 0).

Batch Controller Preact

ME995-3K, Example 2

- Doserate was 27 x 10 mls/100kg (i.e. 270 mls/100 kg),
- Total kgs cement load selected was 2000kg,
- Actual quantity delivered shown on display was 2060kg (60 kgs over at the selected doserate).



Set the preact to HUNDREDS=1 and TENS=6 (1x100 + 6x10 = 100 + 60 = 160 mls)





Batch Controller - Service Adjustments to Safety Timings and Limits for ME995

INITIAL START (T2):

- Once start toggle is pressed, controller allows 1.5 seconds for pulses to arrive from the flowmeter.
- If there are no pulses within the 1.5 second time period, controller will shut down the output voltage drive, and will turn on the pulse fail LED and alarm warnings.
- In some applications, the 1.5 second delay may not be long enough, due to slow opening solenoids or slow pressure buildup pumps etc.
- The initial start time period can be increased by soldering a tantalum capacitor in parallel with the standard capacitor value, found on the rear of the PCB.

FLOWRATE (T1):

- · If pulses do arrive within the allocated initial start time, the controller then locks in pulserate safety.
- Most ManuFlo Batch Controllers have a standard 30 counts per second (30Hz) pulserate safety setting.
- If the pulses from the flowmeter drop below the 30Hz, the controller will shut down the output voltage drive, and turn on the Pulse Fail LED and alarm warnings.
- The 30Hz standard setting is typical with concrete admixture dispensing systems using MES20 (1ml/1 pulse) flowmeters, where if the flowrate drops below 30 millilitres per second the pulse fail safety will activate. T
- The flowrate (frequency) minimum setting can be adjusted by soldering a capacitor in parallel with the standard capacitor found on the PCB.

Note: The flowrate safety timing is changed if required:

- · because of viscosity changes due to seasonal temperatures, or
- · by very low flowrate applications, or
- when using flowmeters other than the most commonly used (MES20 20mm 1 pulse/1ml output flowmeter) with Batch Controllers that have K-factor (ppl) calibration.
- When controller/flowmeter systems are ordered, we supply the safety timing setting to suit your chosen flowmeter, thus always providing the safest possible watchdog system.

BATCH LIMIT (LM):

- The maximum permissible batch is determined by the internal limit value.
- · The factory setting is always at the maximum value.
- The limit setting can be reduced by simply desoldering the limit lead wire (connected to the rear of the rotary switch solder pads) and resoldering to set the desired quantity.

DOSERATE LIMIT (DRLM), on Doserate models only:

- The maximum permissible doserate is determined by the internal limit value.
- The factory setting is always at the maximum value.
- The limit setting can be reduced by simply repositioning the limit wire at the rear of the rotary switch solder pads.



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CAUTION

Physical mods not needed for ME3000

(is programmable).

Batch Controller – T2 (Initial Start) and T1 (Flowrate) Timing



needed for ME3000 (is programmable). Initial Start capacitor T2. Add Tantalum capacitor in parallel to adjust. T1 flowrate capacitor. Add capacitor in parallel to adjust.

Standard factory set values are T2: 1 μ F capacitor, T1: 0.02 μ F. Use the following tables to change factory set values.

Table 1. INITIAL START TIMING (T2)					
<u>Extra</u> Capacitor value	<u>Extra</u> timing				
1 μF	1.5 seconds				
2 μF	3.0 seconds				
3.3 µF	4.1 seconds				
4.7 μF	5.8 seconds				

Table 2. FLOWRATE TIMING (T1)						
Total Capacitor valueFrequency Hz (pulses per second)						
0.01 µF	30 Hz					
0.02 μF	25 Hz					
0.03 μF	20 Hz (low flowrate MES20)					
0.1 μF	07 Hz					
0.2 μF	03 Hz					
1.0 µF	0.2 Hz (PSM20-T flowmeters)					



Batch Controller – DRLM Dose Rate Limit (Doserate Models Only)





Doserate Limit wire is connected to the right-most installed Doserate dial (as seen on this view).



1N4148 signal diode



Batch Controller – LM Batch Limit



Start pad of Limit Wire is marked LM

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Batch Limit Values, According to LM Limit Wire Position

							М	E995 moo	del							
		-1	-1A	-2	-2H	-2C	-2CH	-3	-3H	-3K	-3KH	-4	-6	-7	-7D	-7H
	units ->	mis	mis	m3	m3	m3	m3	kg	kg	kg	kg	L	L	L	L	L
	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.0	0	0.0	0
P	1	10 000	1000	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1000	1000	1000	1000	10.000	10.0	1000	100.0	10 000
o	2	20 000	2 000	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000	20.000	20.0	2 000	200.0	20 000
s	3	30 000	3 000	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3 000	3 000	3 000	3 000	30.000	30.0	3 0 0 0	300.0	30 000
	4	40 000	4 000	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4 000	4 000	4 000	4 000	40.000	40.0	4 000	400.0	40 000
t	5	50 000	5000	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5000	5 000	5000	5 000	50.000	50.0	5 000	500.0	50 000
	6	60 000	6 000	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6 000	6 000	6 000	6 000	60.000	60.0	6 0 0 0	600.0	60 000
o	7	70 000	7 000	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7 000	7 000	7 000	7 000	70.000	70.0	7 000	700.0	70 000
n	8	80 000	8 0 0 0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8 000	8 000	8 000	8 0 0 0	80.000	80.0	8 0 0 0	800.0	80 000
	9	90 000	9 0 0 0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9 000	9 000	9 000	9 0 0 0	90.000	90.0	9 0 0 0	900.0	90 000
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ME995-7 or -7D To convert a x17 Batch Controller to a x1 Batch Controller

For use with various unity or high pulse flowmeters e.g. MES20 / 25 etc





pin 3 of chip U1

(4) Re-assemble.(5) Change "x17" to "x1" on the calibration sticker.

(6) for use with a paddlewheel sensor in a 25mm pipesize, set Batch Controller calibration dials to Hundreds=0, Tens=7, Units=5

Batch Controller Housing Boxes





- The SHB/DHB housing boxes are for wall or bench mounting ME995 Batch Controllers.
- Metal black powder-coated paint finish.
- These boxes are also available fully wired with 110 or 240vac 15amp industrial contactors, pump plugin 240vac power entries, power cord and 10-pin Weidmuller mating plug.
- Also available in a terminal strip entry version.



DHB - DUAL HOUSING BOX



DHB2 - DUAL HOUSING BOX



Order Code	Description
SHB	Single metal box (houses one ME995)
SHB1	Single, with contactor, pump outlet
SHB2	Single, with 2 contactors, 2 pump outlets
DHB	Dual metal box (houses two ME995s)
DHB2	Dual, with 2 contactors, 2 pump outlets
DHB3	Dual, with 3 contactors, 3 pump outlets
-Т	Terminal strip entry (in lieu of outlets)

HB2500/2510 - WATERPROOF ENCLOSURES

Order Code

HB2510 IP65 Enclosure with S/S316 hinges

Options

- **-SSR** Start/Stop/Reset command buttons.
- -C240 Contactor, internally wired. 15 Amp, 240vac, 1phase.

Select a good viewing AND operating position for the Batch Controller.



Batch Controller Housing Box - Use





Do not install ME995 / ME3000 with SHB/DHB metal boxes in areas exposed to rain or wash-down areas. If so use the HB2510 IP65 waterproof/dust proof box



ME995 Series Batch Controllers - Connections

REAR VIEW

TENS

HUNDREDS

Calibration knobs HTU (only on ME995-7, ME995-7D & -7DS), to set to flowmeter's K-Factor (the pulses/Litre).

Weidmuller 10-pin recepticle changeover and replacement is instant with no rewiring necessary.

Rear connector insulator cover

SPECIFICATIONS		$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$	
Power supply	220-260 vac (optional 110 vac or 12-24 \	/DC)	A. 240
Output to flowmeter	12 VDC up to 100mA	CALIBRATION	
Relay outputs	Max. 240 vac, 30 VDC 1 Amp	900-0Lt.	240V AC
Frequency input	5 KHz: x1 input, 340 Hz: x17 inputs	X0-1 198- + 9/11(2017	1 0
Display	7 segment LED (14mm H)	Felix	
Connection	10-pin Weidmuller mating plug and socke	et and a second s	
Fuse	1 Amp (5 x 20mm case)	ManuFlo ManuFlo	
Batch selection	Visual rotary select switches	S/No:	8 7 6 3 7 6 3
Batch commands	Push toggle switches	\bullet	
Mounting	Panel mount	Serial No.	
Instrument housing	ABS hi-impact case	_ /	
External dimensions	206 L, 130 H, 90 D mm	Fuse	Preact knobs -
Panel cutout	190 L, 122 H mm		to adjust for overrun.
Weight	1 kg		-

Batch Controller/Housing Box: 240vac re-labelling

ME188/995/999/3000 WEIDMULLER PLUG 240vac Upgrade

The beauty of the ManuFlo pluggable batch controller modular systems now in use for over 40 years (since 1978) is that any faulty/malfunctioning batch controller can be easily removed/swapped, via its STV Weidmuller pluggable connector system and replaced with a another ME-series batch controller. They are a very safe/sturdy plug set for 240vac wiring. (Without having to removing wires or having to call an electrician).

This rapid replacement ability has allowed countless times to troubleshoot by swapping with another ME995 controller, where the batcher needs to complete a load of concrete so that the concrete trucks can deliver to construction sites on time.

This is increasingly important in country towns or remote sites, where rapid problem solving is required.

(There is available a further protection cover that's clips on top of the plug; Part # WC.)

The procedure to swap controllers is to simply remove the two front screws, pull out the controller and then grabbing the Weidmuller plug at opposing ends pry apart the mating plugs. (Never pull apart plugs by the wires).

Due to the nature of the design of the plug, the chance of ever receiving an electric shock from frayed wires etc, if following this procedure is avoided. It's been common procedure for over 40 years, without any incidents.

But with updated OH&S in industry sites and procedures... we suggest the following upgrade option to the ManuFlo equipment;

WE RECOMMEND:-

1/ Sticking 240vac labels inside/outside the housing boxes and on the top of the batch controllers. 2/ Upgrading the plug with the clip on cover (Part# WC). –as shown below diagrams.

We must bear in mind we have equipment out there still in use over 30 years old that predates a lot of today's current OH&S procedures.

So as a consequence the above procedures are recommended to satisfy any OH&S concerns.

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Extra protection clip-on covers are available. (Part# WC)



Batch Controller Wiring - Guide

- Remove the detachable Weidmuller **10-pin plug** from the rear of Batch Controller.
- Connect the **flowmeter signal cable** into the 10pin Weidmuller plug. When wiring the flowmeter, use 2-core shielded cable (use more cores if wiring more flowmeters) this will supply the flowmeter with 12VDC from the Manu Batch controller.
- Wire the 240VAC supply cables.
- Wire the Active/contact drive, Neutral and Earth from the solenoid valve or return from the external contactor if driving a pump. If starting a pump, make sure the contactor is of sufficient amperage rating to handle the pump current draw (e.g. 10 Amps for Onga413 pump).
- <u>Don't use cheap plug-in relays in your installation</u> they cannot handle pump surge currents and can stick/fuse. Must have industrial grade contactors (available from ManuFlo: Order Code C240, rated 3kW 1.5hp).



- Consider wiring an **override button** (N.O. with spring return) for manual batching or top-up of admix, which will be counted by the controller display.
- **Power up the system**. Reset and start a number of times to prime the system, until fluid appears at the outlet line and the Batch Controller digits begin counting.



ME995 Batch Controller Wiring - 240vac i/o standard



ME995 Batch Controller Wiring

• Side1-2 : two way 2 product batch option.







ME995-4 with S1-2 pictured

Controllers can be configured to dispense 2 admixture products 2pumps/2flowmeters via 2way product control switch (# S1-2)

ME995 Batch Controller Optional Wiring using one cable



When using one multicore shielded cable: If deciding to use one common wire from the ME995 Batch Controllers for the +12VDC supply to power two (2) or more flowmeters, then you must NOT connect all +12VDC supply lines together unless you install 1N4004 heavy duty diodes as per the diagram.

(the shield (o.v.) wire can be all connected together).

Diode Symbol

ME995/ME3000 - <u>Updates</u> NEW Voltage Configuration Options



Now available with:

- <u>110vac, 24vac or 24VDC</u> powered options
- Open contact output drive (to drive any external voltages)
 WARNING: The Various configured voltage options

are NOT interchangeable with the standard 240vac models.

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Batch Controller Calibration Test

Volumetric Calibration Test should be performed when commissioning installation

- place a **calibrated vessel** at the discharge point
- on the Batch Controller, **select an amount** of liquid e.g. 1000 mls.
- press Reset, then Start to **batch** the quantity
- at the calibrated container, **check** that the amount dispensed is as requested.

An overflow may occur due to the inability of the pump to stop instantly. The amount of overflow will depend on how fast the liquid is being dispensed and/or the closing time of the solenoid valve. The Batch Controller will count the overflow as part of the displayed total dispensed.

- if the system is totally controlled via PLC/Computer, overflow will be adjusted by the computer; otherwise,
- where a ME995 series Batch Controller is fitted with a Preact, simply set the Preact to the amount of overflow i.e

overflow =

(actual amount dispensed, as shown on the Batch Controller display)

minus (amount requested).

If required:

- slow down flow velocity by using a restriction gate valve;
- avoid over-batching by using the Preact function, or installing a quick-acting solenoid valve.

<u>Note</u>: If the flow is restricted excessively, Batch Controller Pulse Fail circuitry will shut down the system for safety reasons, in which case open up the restriction gate valve.







Batch Controllers - Maintenance

- A calibration check should be performed periodically (say every 6-12 months).
- <u>Return for service after 5-10 years</u>, especially for manual plants.



In winter, liquid can thicken because of the cold, and so can flow slower.
If Pulse Fail continually occurs in winter on a ME995 series Batch Controllers (Even ME2008's),
THROTTLE UP PUMP SPEED or adjust the pulsefail flowrate timing (T1).

Note: The ME3000 Batch Controller (and ME2008) are programmable, so do not require any hardware modifications.





Questions to ask the batcher upon a batching problem:

- Which LEDs are on?
- Describe what faults are evident?





 If batcher gets Low Flow Alarm on two successive attempts at batching, then: <u>MOVE THE TRUCK MIXER AWAY FROM THE LOADING POINT</u> stop using the Controller; as each attempt doses 2 seconds worth of chemical into the mix. record the quantity displayed on the ME995; and ring your local admixture supplier or service agent for advise/service (or attempt to address).

THIS WARNING GUIDE SHOULD BE DISPLAYED AT PREMIX PLANT FOR THE BATCHER / OPERATOR !!



Batch Controllers – Safeguards



ME995 BATCHING DISPENSER

IN CASE OF ALARM WARNING:-

- · If any of the safety features are triggered, the alarm will sound.
- The <u>LED</u>'s warning indicators will illuminate with <u>PF</u> or <u>LM</u>.
- <u>DO NOT</u> push RESET immediately observe display and take note of the batch display reading. then push RESET, redial residue quantity required to be batched to complete the load.
- · If batcher gets an Alarm again at batching, then:
- MOVE THE TRUCK MIXER AWAY FROM THE LOADING POINT
 <u>o</u> stop using the controller; as each attempt doses
 <u>2 seconds worth of chemical into the mix.</u>
 - orefer to the ManuFlo website "technical support ME995" or your contact local admixture supplier for advise/service.
- LIMIT (LM) LED illuminates if:
 - batch cycle reaches locked internal maximum limit, or internal fault.
 PULSE FAIL (PF) LED activates if:
 - no flowmeter pulses arrive within initial 1.5 seconds (variable), or
 - pulses are interrupted or intermittent during batch cycle (blocked flowmeter, seizing pump, valve closed, cut signal wire).
- · FLOW (FL) LED indicates pulses coming from field flowmeter.
- · CONTACT DRIVE (CD) LED output drive activated to pump or solenoid.

Audible ALARM sounds:

- momentarily upon completion of batch cycle,
- <u>continuously</u> if <u>PF</u> or <u>LM</u> occurs LEDs are activated or if overflow runs excessively past selected batch quantity.

Warning: if CONTACT or FLOW LED indicators are on,

but contoller is not counting, discontinue use, call for service.





THIS WARNING GUIDE SHOULD LAMINATED AND BE DISPLAYED AT PREMIX PLANT FOR THE BATCHER / OPERATOR !!



Batch Controllers – <u>Troubleshooting</u>

Incorrect Batching from

Selected to LED display



- 1. The selector knob number dials on the Batch Controller may not be aligned correctly, and therefore do not correspond to the rotary switch numeric values.
- 2. To test, set all numbered dials to the zero position, then press the RESET toggle. The alarm should beep momentarily. This will indicate correct alignment of dials. If alarm does not beep, this indicates incorrect alignment of numbered dials.
 - To rectify, remove the grey-colored cap from each dial, the grip nut is now exposed, un-tighten and the knob grip will release from switch shaft and pull off knob.
 - Check that the exposed switch shaft flat side notch is in horizontal. If not, turn shafts to horizontal as pictured above and refit the numbered dial knob to the zero number setting.
 - For dosage switches, position to zero and push up hold the TEST button. Digits should not count (except in the ME995-3 model). If digits count, then remove grey knob and check the numbered dial alignment –same procedure as above.
- 3. If batch controller is tested and found to be operating correctly, then proceed to checking and testing flowmeter components.



Batch Controllers – Troubleshooting

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SUGGESTED SOLUTION
 No power to batch controller, displays not on 	 Blown fuse or fuse holder not tight/broken +12vdc and O.V. shorted No main power supply Broken transformer 	 Check fuse, tighten fuse holder (at rear of controller) Check wiring, rear of controller & at flowmeters, replace cables. Check power supply, check wiring Return to ManuFlo for repair
 Pulse fails at start of batch 	 Air pocket Restriction gate valve closed Empty liquid tank Pump not turning Solenoid valve not opening Seized flowmeter chamber Flowmeter pulsehead faulty Signal cable cut or bad joint Pipes/hoses clogged or air pocket. Buildup coagulated admix at discharge point Seized PUMP due to sticky admix 	 Prime line by shorting output drive (C=Contact & A=Active) Open gate valve Check liquid level Check and service pump Check and service solenoid valve or non return valve stuck closed . Flush out the flow-line, purge air pocket Service and clean flowmeter chamber, replace if required Replace with new pulsehead, or connections corroded. Check signal cable Hit the PUMP with a Rubber mallet to loosen it, then rebatch. Failing that then strip/clean or change the pump
WARNING: In any pu	Ise-fail or repeat malfunction condition, remo	ve the truck mixer from the sock loading point.

NOTE: In winter, liquid may flow slower causing Pulse Fail. We recommend:

- Opening up the restriction valve **OR**
- Fitting the capacitor to change Batch Controller T1 timing



<u>Flowrate lower than average speeds</u>. Pipes hoses are clogged. Clogged near SOK -- pump has a lot of rubbish in the centrifuge rotor -- clean out pump -- gate valve seized -- rubbish jammed in non return valve -- suction side of pump issues -- piping blockages etc. change to PD pump -- close bypass valve if installed to increase pressure of flowrate.



Batch Controllers – Troubleshooting

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SUGGESTED SOLUTION
 Pulse fails during batch cycle 	 Flowrate too slow Flowrate too fast Blocked filter restricting flow Measuring chamber clutching 	 Open restriction gate valve or increase flowrate pulse fail timing capacitor (see service guide). Chamber clutching, slow down flowrate via restrictor valve. Check flowmeter specs for performance operating range Cleanout filter Cleanout chamber or replace Clean, service or replace the flowmeter parts
 Display digits count slowly after batch complete 	 Non return valve faulty (jammed open) Vibration 	 Clean, service or replace If Vibration – eliminate or use new MES-DSP Pulseheads.
 Batch target display counter above batch selection 	 Flowrate too fast, excessive overflow 	 Turn down gate valve to restrict flowrate or set preact (overflow deduct) function to compensate (ME995 models –located at rear of unit) Reduce delivery pipe diameter
 During calibration test, more admix collected than indicated 	 Flowmeter chamber part missing Chamber excessively worn, liquid is slipping through without registration S.G. below 1.0 MES20 under excessive pressure with AEA slippery admix 	 Check flow chamber, check O-rings are seated correctly (MEK20/MES20 roller bush or O ring) Replace with new chamber, recheck calibration Replace chamber and restrict flowrate or recalibrate via controller (certain models only) or recalibrate via card Place restriction valve after pump and prior to flowmeter

NOTE: After servicing any flowmeter, always perform a volumetric calibration test. Make sure glands are sealed, pulse cable is lopped downward, and meters are under cover and protected from water ingress.

Batch Controllers – Troubleshooting

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SUGGESTED SOLUTION		
 Less admix collected than displayed 	 Possible syphoning effect if fed (mixing) into flowing water line Liquid flows backward after batches 	 Fit ball valve solenoid or do not feed into flowing water line, or check valve Non-return valve faulty, service or replace 		
 Controller starts counting when power switched on, does not stop at batch complete 	 Active and contact power drive short circuited Contactor sticky or fused 	 Short circuit on PCB, check PCB or replace External pump contractor relay fused or need higher ampere rating, replace contractor 		
 Controller not counting but flow and/or contact drive LED's are on 	 Controller malfunction, IC failure 	 Replace controller, ring ManuFlo for urgent advice 		
 Controller counts although pump off (contact drive LED off) 	 Dried out main electro capacitor, leads to unstable +12VDC line to circuit. Moisture on PCB –return to ManuFlo dry out clean 	 Replace electrolytic capacitor (Pre ME995 units) 		
 Controller counts up a batch cycle but no admixture delivered 	 Flowmeter (MES) measuring air 	 Can occur with positive displacement pumps. Fit a recirculation line on inlet/outlet of pump. See install guide brochure. 		
 Controller Limit "LM" LED light triggers disabling controller or spike of counts appears on display counts suddenly when engaging start toggle Use UMT-8 Tester to check the functions of the inputs 	 Spike caused by 240vac contactor coil UMT-8 CONTACTOR ACTIVE EARTH (GROUND) Spike caused by 240vac contactor coil 	 Fit a 0.1uF 275vac> mains capacitor across the coil to filter initial start spikes Batch entroller Box 		

